

TOPIC Military Information from Leisnig

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## REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. Prior to 18 July 1953, the von der Busche Kaserne in Leisnig was occupied by about 80 soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets. [redacted]  
[redacted] Between 18 and 26 June, the Friedrich August Kaserne was occupied by about 300 troops with red-bordered black epaulets. No motor vehicles were seen.<sup>1</sup>

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- 25X1 3. Between 9 and 14 July, engineer field exercises were observed in the Leisnig area. A unit with about 300 vehicles, [redacted] practiced bridge construction and demolitions about 12 kilometers west of Leisnig on the Mulde River. Another unit was engaged in the same practices about 13 kilometers west of Leisnig on the Mulde River. Engineer troops with pneumatic rafters were observed at the Tummaltz Forest. Additional engineer units were to arrive.<sup>2</sup>

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1.   Comment. The observations indicated that components of the 8th Gds Mecz Div with tanks also moved to Leisnig during the riots in East Germany and returned after completion of their mission. On 2 July 1953, another troop train returned to Koenigsbrueck.

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